



# FILE A SHORT TERM DISABILITY CLAIM WITH CONFIDENCE

State of Delaware

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The State of Delaware's Disability Insurance Program vendor is The Hartford.

#### THE HARTFORD MAKES IT EASY TO FILE A CLAIM

## Step 1: Know when it's time to file a claim.

You must file a Short Term Disability claim within 15-calendar days from the date of your disability if you will be absent from work for at least 30-calendar days.

# **Step 2: Have this information ready.**

- Name and address
- Name of your employing organization and last day worked
- Your manager's name and phone number
- The name and phone number of your organization's Human Resources/Benefits Representative
- The nature of your claim (accident, illness or pregnancy) and whether it is work related
- Your treating provider's name, address, phone and fax numbers



## Step 3: Make the call or file online.

With your information handy, call The Hartford at 1-877-484-9731 (8 a.m. to 8 p.m. ET, Monday – Friday). You'll be assisted by a caring clinical professional who'll take your information, answer your questions and file your claim.

OR

- File online at abilityadvantage.thehartford.com:
  - Click on the following prompts:
    - Need to register for an account?
    - Enter Your Email Address/Confirm Email Address
    - Enter First Name, Last Name, Mobile Number (Remember Device Y/N)
    - Create Password/Confirm Password
    - Enter Last Name/Date of Birth/Zip Code
    - Enter Employee ID
    - Select Complete Registration button
    - Select Communication Preference (Email or Text)
    - Once registration is complete from landing page, select Start a New Claim Button

A Hartford claims representative will call you within 24-hours to review your online submission.

### **GET SUPPORTIVE ASSISTANCE**

The Hartford's goal is to help get you through your time away from work with dignity and assist you in any way we can. Even after your claim has been filed, we may be in touch to check your progress, answer questions or obtain additional information from you. Our goal is to offer a smooth and hassle-free experience until you return to work. Feel free to also call us with anything that's on your mind. We're here to help.

## **RETURNING TO WORK**

*Need assistance with returning to work from Short Term Disability?* Contact the State of Delaware's Return to Work Coordinator, Crystal Sheats, at 302-760-7069 or returntowork@delaware.gov.

- You may be able to return to work part-time, or an alternate work schedule and gradually increase to full-time.
- You may be able to start with light or modified work duty.
- You may be eligible to receive workplace accommodations that can help you to return to work safely and comfortably.

(Cut and fold the card below and keep in your wallet.)

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